IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Anthony John FREEMONT et al.

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE AND ELECTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 3, 2008, this response to which is being timely filed in light of the petition for a two-month extension of time submitted herewith, please consider the following remarks.

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